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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

3291 Denver Street

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a vacant house fire at 3291 Denver Street, Monday, December 21, 2020 at 2:56 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood-frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Thirteen (13) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-nine (29)

emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Acting Battalion Chief H. Lowrance was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 3:19 a.m. One firefighter was treated and released on the scene for injuries sustained to his lower back and 2nd degree burns to his face and right wrist. There were no civilian injuries.

The vacant structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at



\$41,000.00 structure and no contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be intentionally set in the bedroom. This fire is still under investigation. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 528-CASH (2274) or the State Arson Hotline at 1-800-762-3017. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward from Crime Stoppers of Memphis and Shelby County, Inc.

The Memphis Fire Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their *place* of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY issues please dial (901) 458-8281.